GOLDEN RAIL TRAILER COURT (PWS 5160017) SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT FINAL REPORT

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Executive Summary

Under the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996, all states are required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to assess every source of public drinking water for its relative sensitivity to contaminants regulated by the act. This assessment is based on a land use inventory of the designated assessment area, sensitivity factors associated with the wells, and aquifer characteristics.

This report, Source Water Assessment for the Golden Rail Trailer Court, Burley, Idaho describes the public drinking water system, the boundaries of the zones of water contribution, and the associated potential contaminant sources located within these boundaries. This assessment should be used as a planning tool, taken into account with local knowledge and concerns, to develop and implement appropriate protection measures for this source. The results should <u>not be</u> used as an absolute measure of risk and they should <u>not be</u> used to undermine public confidence in the water system.

The Golden Rail Trailer Court drinking water system (PWS 5160017) consists of one ground water well source. The well has an overall rating of high susceptibility to inorganic contaminants and synthetic organic contaminants and an overall rating of moderate susceptibility to volatile organic contaminants and microbial contaminants predominantly due to numerous potential contaminants, high agricultural land uses, and a high hydrologic sensitivity score.

The only inorganic contaminants (IOCs) detected in the sampled water are arsenic, barium, fluoride, and nitrate. Nitrate levels have fluctuated between 3.4 milligrams per liter (mg/L) and 7.4 mg/L since 1979. There is an increasing trend in the nitrate data (60% significance). The Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for nitrate is 10 mg/l. Total coliform bacteria have been detected in the distribution system in 1994, but there has never been a repeat detection at the wellhead. No volatile organic contaminants (VOCs) or synthetic organic contaminants (SOCs) have been detected in the well.

This assessment should be used as a basis for determining appropriate new protection measures or reevaluating existing protection efforts. No matter what ranking a source receives, protection is always important. Whether the source is currently located in a "pristine" area or an area with numerous industrial and/or agricultural land uses that require surveillance, the way to ensure good water quality in the future is to act now to protect valuable water supply resources.

For the Golden Rail Trailer Court, source water protection activities should first focus on correcting deficiencies outlined in the Drinking Water Supply Report (DEQ, 1993). The Golden Rail Trailer Court should implement disinfection practices if microbial contamination becomes a problem. Any spills from the potential contaminant sources listed in Table 1 should be carefully monitored, as should any future development in the delineated areas. Other practices aimed at reducing the leaching of agricultural chemicals from agricultural land within the designated source water areas should be implemented. Most of the designated areas are outside the direct jurisdiction of the Golden Rail Trailer Court. Partnerships with state and local agencies, and industry groups should be established, and are critical to success.

Due to the time involved with the movement of ground water, source water protection activities should be aimed at long-term management strategies even though these strategies may not yield results in the near term. A strong public education program should be a primary focus of any source water protection plan because the delineations show large areas of urban land use. There are multiple resources available to help communities implement protection programs, including the Drinking Water Academy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Many transportation corridors transect the delineations, therefore, the Department of Transportation should be included in protection activities. Source water protection activities for agriculture should be coordinated with the Idaho State Department of Agriculture, the Soil Conservation Commission, the local Soil Conservation District, and the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

A community with a fully developed source water protection program will incorporate many strategies, be they regulatory in nature (i.e. zoning, permitting) or non-regulatory in nature (i.e. good housekeeping, public education, specific best management practices). For assistance in developing protection strategies please contact the Twin Falls Regional Office of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality or the Idaho Rural Water Association.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT FOR THE GOLDEN RAIL TRAILER COURT, BURLEY, IDAHO

Section 1. Introduction - Basis for Assessment

The following sections contain information necessary to understand how and why this assessment was conducted. It is important to review this information to understand what the ranking of this source means. A map showing the delineated source water assessment area and the inventory of significant potential sources of contamination identified within that area are attached. The list of significant potential contaminant source categories and their rankings, used to develop this assessment, is also attached.

Level of Accuracy and Purpose of the Assessment

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to assess the over 2,900 public drinking water sources in Idaho for their relative susceptibility to contaminants regulated by the Safe Drinking Water Act. This assessment is based on a land use inventory of the delineated assessment area, sensitivity factors associated with the wells, and aquifer characteristics. All assessments must be completed by May of 2003. The resources and time available to accomplish assessments are limited. Therefore, an in-depth, site-specific investigation to identify each significant potential source of contamination for every public water system is not possible. This assessment should be used as a planning tool, taken into account with local knowledge and concerns, to develop and implement appropriate protection measures for this source. The results should not be used as an absolute measure of risk and they should not be used to undermine public confidence in the water system.

The ultimate goal of this assessment is to provide data to local communities to develop a protection strategy for their drinking water supply system. The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) recognizes that pollution prevention activities generally require less time and money to implement than treating a public water supply system once it has been contaminated. DEQ encourages communities to balance resource protection with economic growth and development. The decision as to the amount and types of information necessary to develop a source water protection program should be determined by the local community based on its own needs and limitations. Source water protection is one facet of a comprehensive growth plan, and it can complement ongoing local planning efforts.

Section 2. Conducting the Assessment

General Description of the Source Water Quality

The Golden Rail Trailer Court well is a community well that serves approximately 76 people through approximately 25 connections. The well is located in Cassia County, west of the City of Burley, at 600 W 50 S (Figure 1).

The main IOC water chemistry issue recorded in the public water system of the Golden rail trailer Court is nitrate, with readings exceeding half the MCL regularly since 1993. Though total coliform bacteria have been detected in the distribution system, there has never been a repeat detection at the wellhead. No VOCs or SOCs have been detected in the well.

County level nitrogen fertilizer use, county level herbicide use, and total county level agricultural chemical use rated high for the area. In addition, the delineations fall within a nitrate priority area and an SOC priority area for the pesticide Atrazine.

Defining the Zones of Contribution – Delineation

The delineation process establishes the physical area around a well that will become the focal point of the assessment. The process includes mapping the boundaries of the zone of contribution into time-of-travel zones (zones indicating the number of years necessary for a particle of water to reach a well) for water in the aquifer. DEQ used a refined computer model approved by the EPA in determining the time-of-travel (TOT) zones for water associated with the Goose Creek – Golden Valley aquifer in the vicinity of the Golden Rail Trailer Court. The computer model used site-specific data, assimilated by DEQ from a variety of sources including local area well logs and hydrogeologic reports summarized below.

The well extracts water from basalt of the Snake River Group to the northeast and east and possibly the Idavada Volcanics to the south. The Snake River Group consists of basalt flows with thicknesses ranging from a few feet to several tens of feet. Contacts between the flows and in rubbly zones are the best water producers. The basalt overlies the Idavada Volcanics.

The Idavada Volcanics unit, locally referred to as rhyolite, consists of welded ash and tuff, rhyolite, and some basalt flows. The flows are dense and are commonly reddish-brown, gray, or black. The tuff and ash beds are fine to coarse grained, light colored, and commonly water laden (Crosthwaite, 1969).

Twenty-four years of records since 1964 set the average yearly rainfall in Burley at 8.6 inches (Crosthwaite, 1969). The Albion Range and the fault zone at its base bound the plain on the southeast and the Bo Stetter area of the South Hills bound the plain on the southwest. The lowland slopes northward from an elevation of about 4,600 feet at Oakley to 4,150 feet at Burley (Crosthwaite, 1969).

The regional Snake River Group basalts to the east and northeast mainly influenced the Golden Rail Trailer Court delineation modeling. However, there was also a southerly component of the flow from the fault zone along the Albion Range. Previous modeling (Garabedian, 1992) in the area was used as a guide.

FIGURE 1. Geographic Location of Golden Rail Trailer Court STATE OF IDAHO COEUR D'ALENE 50 100 150 Miles N LEWISTON BOISE PIDAHO FALLS POCATELLO TWIN FALLS BURLE UNIT Burley, 6 miles Starrha Ferry WELL LATERAL Jobson 1262 Facility 1333 2 3 5 Miles 1 4

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The delineated source water assessment area for the Golden Rail Trailer Court well can best be described as a pie slice extending east and southeast of the well, with a width of 3 miles at the end and a length of about 5 miles (Figure 2). The data used by DEQ in determining the source water assessment delineation areas are available upon request.

Identifying Potential Sources of Contamination

A potential source of contamination is defined as any facility or activity that stores, uses, or produces, as a product or by-product, the contaminants regulated under the Safe Drinking Water Act and has a sufficient likelihood of releasing such contaminants at levels that could pose a concern relative to drinking water sources. The goal of the inventory process is to locate and describe those facilities, land uses, and environmental conditions that are potential sources of ground water contamination. The locations of potential sources of contamination within the delineation areas were obtained by field surveys conducted by DEQ and the Golden Rail Trailer Court and from available databases.

The dominant land use outside the Golden Rail Trailer Court area is irrigated agriculture. Land use within the immediate area of the wellheads consists of residential property and agriculture. Highway 30 and the Eastern Idaho Railroad are major transportation corridors in the area. The Snake River also transects the delineation area.

It is important to understand that a release may never occur from a potential source of contamination provided best management practices are used at the facility. Many potential sources of contamination are regulated at the federal level, state level, or both, to reduce the risk of release. Therefore, when a business, facility, or property is identified as a potential contaminant source, this should not be interpreted to mean that this business, facility, or property is in violation of any local, state, or federal environmental law or regulation. What it does mean is that the <u>potential</u> for contamination exists due to the nature of the business, industry, or operation. There are a number of methods that water systems can use to work cooperatively with potential sources of contamination, such as educational visits and inspections of stored materials. Many owners of such facilities may not even be aware that they are located near a public water supply well.

Contaminant Source Inventory Process

A contaminant inventory of the study area was conducted in July and August of 2001. This involved identifying and documenting potential contaminant sources within the Golden Rail Trailer Court Source Water Assessment Areas through the use of computer databases and Geographic Information System maps developed by DEQ. John Stamper, the Golden Rail Trailer Court Water Operator, confirmed this information.

The delineation (Table 1, Figure 2) has 34 potential point sources. These potential contaminant sources include leaking underground storage tank (LUST) sites, underground storage tank (UST) sites, commercial, industrial, and municipal businesses, sand and gravel pits, dairies, a wastewater land application site, and Group 1 sites. Additionally, there are sites regulated by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). Highway 30, the Eastern Idaho Railroad, and the Snake River are major sources that cross the delineations, and are also listed under the Potential Contaminant Inventory list (Table 1). If an accidental spill occurred in any of these sources, IOCs, VOCs, SOCs, or microbial contaminants could be added to the aquifer system.

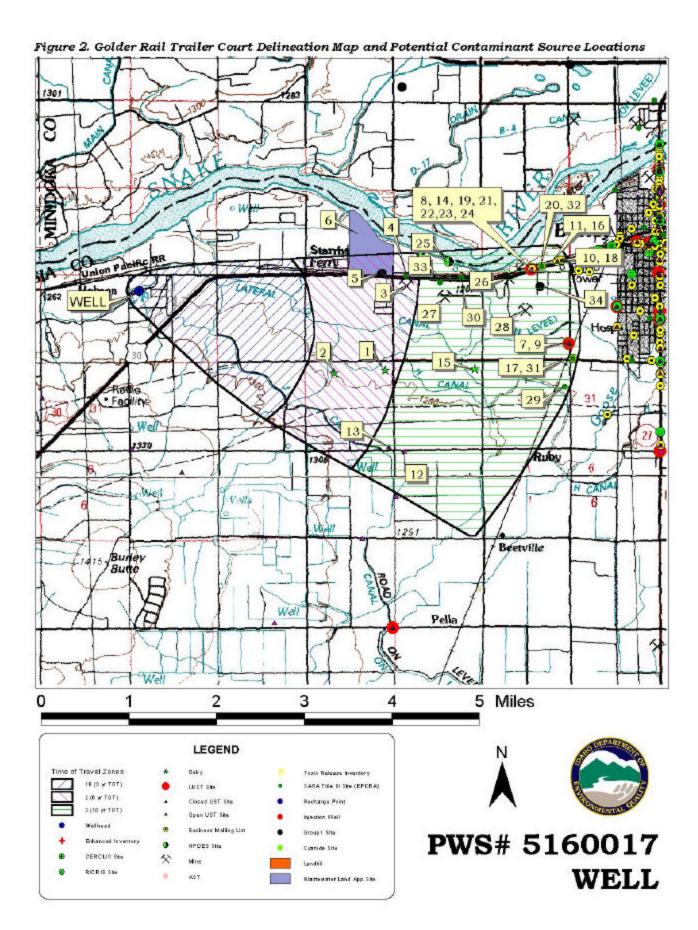


Table 1. Golden Rail Trailer Court, Potential Contaminant Inventory

Site #	Source Description ¹	TOT Zone ² (years)	Source of Information	Potential Contaminants ³		
	Highway 30	0-10	GIS Map	IOC, VOC, SOC, Microbes		
	Eastern Idaho Railroad	0-10	GIS Map	IOC, VOC, SOC, Microbes		
1	Dairy <=200 cows	3-6	Database Search	IOC		
2	Dairy <=200 cows	3-6	Database Search	IOC		
3	Sand and gravel pit	3-6	Database Search	IOC		
4	SARA	3-6	Database Search	IOC, VOC, SOC		
5	Group 1 Site - Nitrate	3-6	Database Search	IOC		
6	WLAP Site	3-6	Database Search	IOC, VOC, SOC		
7, 9	LUST - Site Cleanup Complete , Impact: Unknown, UST - closed	6-10	Database Search	IOC, VOC, SOC		
8, 14	LUST - Site Cleanup Complete , Impact: Unknown, UST - open	6-10	Database Search	VOC, SOC		
10	UST – closed	6-10	Database Search	VOC, SOC		
11	UST – closed	6-10	Database Search	VOC, SOC		
12	UST – open	6-10	Database Search	VOC, SOC		
13	UST – closed	6-10	Database Search	VOC, SOC		
15	Dairy 201-500 cows	6-10	Database Search	IOC		
16	State Government-National Security	6-10	Database Search	VOC, SOC		
17, 31	Corrugated & Solid Fiber Boxes; SARA	6-10	Database Search	IOC		
18	Painter	6-10	Database Search	IOC, VOC, SOC		
19	Welding	6-10	Database Search	IOC, VOC, SOC		
20, 32	Oils-Fuel (Wholesale); SARA	6-10	Database Search	VOC, SOC		
21, 22, 23	Buildings-Metal; Roofing Contractors; Storage-Household & Commercial	6-10	Database Search	IOC, VOC, SOC		
24	Machine Shope	6-10	Database Search	IOC, VOC, SOC		
25, 30	NPDES Site – Industrial; SARA	6-10	Database Search	IOC, SOC		
26	Sand and gravel pit	6-10	Database Search	IOC		
27	Sand and gravel pit	6-10	Database Search	IOC		
28	Sand and gravel pit	6-10	Database Search	IOC		
29	SARA	6-10	Database Search	IOC, VOC, SOC		
33	SARA	6-10	Database Search	IOC, VOC, SOC		
34	Group 1 Site - Atrazine	6-10	Database Search	SOC		
	Snake River	6-10	GIS Map	IOC, VOC, SOC		

¹LUST = leaking underground storage tank, UST = underground storage tank, SARA = Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, NPDES = National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, WLAP = wastewater land application
² TOT = time-of-travel (in years) for a potential contaminant to reach the wellhead

³ IOC = inorganic chemical, VOC = volatile organic chemical, SOC = synthetic organic chemical

Section 3. Susceptibility Analyses

The water system's susceptibility to contamination was ranked as high, moderate, or low risk according to the following considerations: hydrologic characteristics, physical integrity of the well, land use characteristics, and potentially significant contaminant sources. The susceptibility rankings are specific to a particular potential contaminant or category of contaminants. Therefore, a high susceptibility rating relative to one potential contaminant does not mean that the water system is at the same risk for all other potential contaminants. The relative ranking that is derived for each well is a qualitative, screening-level step that, in many cases, uses generalized assumptions and best professional judgement. Attachment A contains the susceptibility analysis worksheet. The following summaries describe the rationale for the susceptibility ranking.

Hydrologic Sensitivity

The hydrologic sensitivity of a well is dependent upon four factors: the surface soil composition, the material in the vadose zone (between the land surface and the water table), the depth to first ground water, and the presence of a 50-foot thick fine-grained zone above the producing zone of the well. Slowly draining soils such as silt and clay typically are more protective of ground water than coarse-grained soils such as sand and gravel. Similarly, fine-grained sediments in the subsurface and a water depth of more than 300 feet protect the ground water from contamination.

The hydrologic sensitivity was high for the well (see Table 2). The moderate- to well-drained nature of the soil does not reduce the downward movement of contaminants. The vadose zone is made up of fractured basalt and there are not significant sedimentary interbeds within the basalt flows.

Well Construction

Well construction directly affects the ability of the well to protect the aquifer from contaminants. System construction scores are reduced when information shows that potential contaminants will have a more difficult time reaching the intake of the well. Lower scores imply a system is less vulnerable to contamination. For example, if the well casing and annular seal both extend into a low permeability unit, then the possibility of contamination is reduced and the system construction score goes down. If the highest production interval is more than 100 feet below the water table, then the system is considered to have better buffering capacity. If the wellhead and surface seal are maintained to standards, as outlined in Sanitary Surveys, then contamination down the well bore is less likely. If the well is protected from surface flooding and is outside the 100-year floodplain, then contamination from surface events is reduced.

The Golden Rail Trailer Court drinking water system consists of one well that extracts ground water for community uses. The well rated moderate susceptibility for system construction(Table 2). The 1993 Sanitary Survey stated that the wellhead and surface seal requirements were being met and that the well was protected from surface flooding.

The well is 297 feet deep and is constructed with 0.250-inch thick, 8 5/8-inch diameter casing, sealed to a depth of 90 feet using cement grout. The producing fractured basalt is found between 246 feet below ground surface (bgs) and 270 feet bgs and from 285 feet bgs to 297 feet bgs. The producing zones are the first location that water is encountered. Though the Golden Rail Trailer Court wells may have met construction standards at the time of their installation, current well construction standards are stricter.

The Idaho Department of Water Resources *Well Construction Standards Rules* (1993) require all Public Water Systems (PWSs) to follow DEQ standards as well. IDAPA 58.01.08.550 requires that PWSs follow the *Recommended Standards for Water Works* (1997) during construction. Some of the requirements include casing thickness, well tests, and depth and formation type that the surface seal must be installed into. Table 1 of the *Recommended Standards for Water Works* (1997) lists the required steel casing thickness for various diameter wells. Eight-inch diameter wells require a casing thickness of at least 0.322-inches. Well tests are required at the design pumping rate for 24 hours or until stabilized drawdown has continued for at least six hours when pumping at 1.5 times the design pumping rate. The Golden Rail Trailer Court well received an additional point in the system construction category because it does not meet current well construction standards, although they may have been meant at the time of construction.

Potential Contaminant Source and Land Use

The well rated high for IOCs (e.g., arsenic, nitrate) and SOCs (e.g., pesticides), and moderate for VOCs (e.g., petroleum products) and microbial contaminants (e.g., bacteria). The large number of urban and agricultural potential contaminant sites, as well as the local transportation corridors, and the irrigated agricultural land, contributed the largest numbers of points to the contaminant inventory rating. County level nitrogen fertilizer use, county level herbicide use, and total county level agricultural chemical use are rated as high. In addition, the delineations fall within a nitrate priority area and an SOC priority area for the pesticide Atrazine.

Final Susceptibility Rating

An IOC detection above a drinking water standard MCL, any detection of a VOC or SOC, or a detection of total coliform bacteria or fecal coliform bacteria at the wellhead will automatically give a high susceptibility rating to a well, despite the land use of the area, because a pathway for contamination already exists. Hydrologic sensitivity and system construction scores are heavily weighted in the final scores. Having multiple potential contaminant sources in the 0- to 3-year time-of-travel zone (Zone 1B), and much agricultural land contribute greatly to the overall ranking. In terms of total susceptibility, the well rated high for IOCs and SOCs and moderate for VOCs and microbial contaminants.

Table 2. Summary of the Golden Rail Trailer Court Susceptibility Evaluation

	Susceptibility Scores ¹									
	Hydrologic Sensitivity	Contaminant Inventory		System Construction	Final Susceptibility Ranking					
Source		IOC	VOC	SOC	Microbials		IOC	VOC	SOC	Microbials
Well	Н	Н	M	Н	M	M	Н	M	Н	M

¹H = High Susceptibility, M = Moderate Susceptibility, L = Low Susceptibility

IOC = inorganic chemical, VOC = volatile organic chemical, SOC = synthetic organic chemical

Susceptibility Summary

In terms of total susceptibility, the well rated high for IOCs and SOCs and moderate for VOCs and microbial contaminants. Multiple commercial and industrial potential contaminant sources, agricultural land uses, high county wide nitrogen fertilizer use, and high county wide herbicide use, all contributed the most land use points to the susceptibility rating. Highway 30, the Eastern Idaho Rairoad, and the Snake River also contributed land use points to the susceptability rating. High hydrologic sensitivity and moderate system construction scores also contributed heavily to the overall scores.

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Section 4. Options for Source Water Protection

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Assistance

Public water suppliers and others may call the following DEQ offices with questions about this assessment and to request assistance with developing and implementing a local protection plan. In addition, draft protection plans may be submitted to the DEQ office for preliminary review and comments.

Twin Falls Regional DEQ Office (208) 736-2190

State DEQ Office (208) 373-0502

Website: http://www.deq.state.id.us

Water suppliers serving fewer than 10,000 persons may contact Melinda Harper (mlharper@idahoruralwater.com), Idaho Rural Water Association, at (208) 343-7001 for assistance with drinking water protection (formerly wellhead protection) strategies.

POTENTIAL CONTAMINANT INVENTORY LIST OF ACRONYMS AND DEFINITIONS

<u>AST (Aboveground Storage Tanks)</u> – Sites with aboveground storage tanks.

<u>Business Mailing List</u> – This list contains potential contaminant sites identified through a yellow pages database search of standard industry codes (SIC).

<u>CERCLIS</u> – This includes sites considered for listing under the <u>Comprehensive Environmental Response</u> Compensation and <u>Liability Act (CERCLA)</u>. CERCLA, more commonly known as ASuperfund≅ is designed to clean up hazardous waste sites that are on the national priority list (NPL).

<u>Cyanide Site</u> – DEQ permitted and known historical sites/facilities using cyanide.

<u>Dairy</u> – Sites included in the primary contaminant source inventory represent those facilities regulated by Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) and may range from a few head to several thousand head of milking cows.

<u>Deep Injection Well</u> – Injection wells regulated under the Idaho Department of Water Resources generally for the disposal of stormwater runoff or agricultural field drainage.

Enhanced Inventory – Enhanced inventory locations are potential contaminant source sites added by the water system. These can include new sites not captured during the primary contaminant inventory, or corrected locations for sites not properly located during the primary contaminant inventory. Enhanced inventory sites can also include miscellaneous sites added by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) during the primary contaminant inventory.

<u>Floodplain</u> – This is a coverage of the 100year floodplains.

<u>Group 1 Sites</u> – These are sites that show elevated levels of contaminants and are not within the priority one areas.

<u>Inorganic Priority Area</u> – Priority one areas where greater than 25% of the wells/springs show constituents higher than primary standards or other health standards.

<u>Landfill</u> – Areas of open and closed municipal and non-municipal landfills.

<u>LUST</u> (<u>Leaking Underground Storage Tank</u>) – Potential contaminant source sites associated with leaking underground storage tanks as regulated under RCRA.

<u>Mines and Quarries</u> – Mines and quarries permitted through the Idaho Department of Lands.

<u>Nitrate Priority Area</u> – Area where greater than 25% of wells/springs show nitrate values above 5mg/l.

NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) – Sites with NPDES permits. The Clean Water Act requires that any discharge of a pollutant to waters of the United States from a point source must be authorized by an NPDES permit.

<u>Organic Priority Areas</u> – These are any areas where greater than 25 % of wells/springs show levels greater than 1% of the primary standard or other health standards.

<u>Recharge Point</u> – This includes active, proposed, and possible recharge sites on the Snake River Plain.

RICRIS – Site regulated under **Resource Conservation Recovery Act (RCRA)**. RCRA is commonly associated with the cradle to grave management approach for generation, storage, and disposal of hazardous wastes.

SARA Tier II (Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act Tier II Facilities) – These sites store certain types and amounts of hazardous materials and must be identified under the Community Right to Know Act.

Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) – The toxic release inventory list was developed as part of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know (Community Right to Know) Act passed in 1986. The Community Right to Know Act requires the reporting of any release of a chemical found on the TRI list.

<u>UST (Underground Storage Tank)</u> – Potential contaminant source sites associated with underground storage tanks regulated as regulated under RCRA.

<u>Wastewater Land Applications Sites</u> – These are areas where the land application of municipal or industrial wastewater is permitted by DEQ.

<u>Wellheads</u> – These are drinking water well locations regulated under the Safe Drinking Water Act. They are not treated as potential contaminant sources.

NOTE: Many of the potential contaminant sources were located using a geocoding program where mailing addresses are used to locate a facility. Field verification of potential contaminant sources is an important element of an enhanced inventory.

Where possible, a list of potential contaminant sites unable to be located with geocoding will be provided to water systems to determine if the potential contaminant sources are located within the source water assessment area.

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Attachment A

Golden Rail Trailer Court Susceptibility Analysis Worksheet

The final scores for the susceptibility analysis were determined using the following formulas:

- 1) VOC/SOC/IOC Final Score = Hydrologic Sensitivity + System Construction + (Potential Contaminant/Land Use x 0.2)
- 2) Microbial Final Score = Hydrologic Sensitivity + System Construction + (Potential Contaminant/Land Use x 0.35)

Final Susceptibility Scoring:

- 0 5 Low Susceptibility
- 6 12 Moderate Susceptibility
- ≥ 13 High Susceptibility

Public Water System Number 5160017

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1. System Construction Drill Date 10/24/1974 Driller Log Available Sanitary Survey (if yes, indicate date of last survey) Well meets IDWR construction standards 1 Wellhead and surface seal maintained Ο Casing and annular seal extend to low permeability unit NO Highest production 100 feet below static water level 1 Well located outside the 100 year flood plain Ω Total System Construction Score 2 2. Hydrologic Sensitivity ______ Soils are poorly to moderately drained Vadose zone composed of gravel, fractured rock or unknown YES Depth to first water > 300 feet NO 1 Aquitard present with > 50 feet cumulative thickness NO Total Hydrologic Score 3. Potential Contaminant / Land Use - ZONE 1A Land Use Zone 1A IRRIGATED CROPLAND 2 2 2 2 2 2 chemical use high YES 2 0 2 Farm chemical use high YES crobial sources in Zone 1A NO NO NO Total Potential Contaminant Source/Land Use Score - Zone 1A 4 2 IOC, VOC, SOC, or Microbial sources in Zone 1A 4 Potential Contaminant / Land Use - ZONE 1B Contaminant sources present (Number of Sources) YES 2 2 2 4 (Score = # Sources X 2) 8 Points Maximum 4 4 4 2 6 Sources of Class II or III leacheable contaminants or 4 2 4 Points Maximum 0 Zone 1B contains or intercepts a Group 1 Area YES Land use Zone 1B Greater Than 50% Irrigated Agricultural Land 4 4 Total Potential Contaminant Source / Land Use Score - Zone 1B 14 10 12 Potential Contaminant / Land Use - ZONE II YES Contaminant Sources Present 2 2 1 1 Sources of Class II or III leacheable contaminants or YES 1 Land Use Zone II Greater Than 50% Irrigated Agricultural Land 2 2 Potential Contaminant Source / Land Use Score - Zone II 5 5 5 Potential Contaminant / Land Use - ZONE III Contaminant Source Present YES Sources of Class II or III leacheable contaminants or 1 YES 1 1 1 Is there irrigated agricultural lands that occupy > 50% of YES Total Potential Contaminant Source / Land Use Score - Zone III 3 3 3 5. Final Well Ranking Moderate